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1. ASSISTANT SECRETARY VAKY HAS AGREED TO HEAD THE U.S. DELEGATION TO THE U.S.-ARGENTINE ECONOMIC CONSULTATIONS. THE PROPOSED DATES OF SEPTEMBER 18-22 ARE CONFIRMED.

2. WE ENVISAGE THAT AMBASSADOR VAKY WILL CHAIR THE OPENING AND CLOSING SESSIONS OF THE CONSULTATIONS, AND HOST A SOCIAL OCCASION. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ARELLANO WILL SERVE AS VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. DELEGATION, AND
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WE ENVISAGE THAT HE WILL CHAIR TWO OR THREE PLENARY SESSIONS. WE CONCUR WITH THE ARGENTINE SUGGESTION THAT DISCUSSIONS ON TECHNICAL PROBLEMS OF TRADE POLICY AND PROMOTION, INVESTMENT, AGRICULTURE, ETC. COULD BE CHAIRED ON THE U.S. SIDE BY VARIOUS U.S.G. AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES.

3. MR. ARELLANO WILL ALSO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COORDINATION OF THE AGENDA AND BRIEFING MATERIALS FOR THE U.S. DELEGATION. HE WILL BE MEETING WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE U.S. SIDE TO CONFIRM OUR POSITION ON THE

PROPOSED AGENDA.

4. UNDER SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS RICHARD COOPER HAS AGREED TO MEET WITH ARGENTINE DELEGATION HEAD JUAN DUMAS AT A TIME TO BE DETERMINED. APPOINTMENTS WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARIES KATZ AND BERGSTEN WILL ALSO BE REQUESTED.

5. WE HAVE TENTATIVE CONFIRMATION OF OUR RESERVATION OF THREE INTERPRETERS FOR THE CONSULTATIONS. WE DO NOT ENVISAGE ANY DIFFICULTY IF THE ARGENTINE DELEGATION PREFERS TO USE SPANISH.

6. AS NOTED IN PARA. 3, WE WILL COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED AGENDA BY SEPTTEL. CHRISTOPHER

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